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In the Application of:

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Examiner: B. Choobin

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

DETERMINING A DYNAMIC RANGE OF

A DIGITAL MEDICAL IMAGE

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sirs:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed June 14, 2002.

## REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-12 and 15-27 remain pending in the present application. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims define allowable subject matter.

Claims 1, 3-12 and 15-27 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Ergun et al. (USP 6,298,109) Applicant respectfully traverses the outstanding rejection for reasons set forth hereafter.